

RESOLUTION 2010-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE  
TOWN OF LAUDERDALE-BY-THE-SEA, FLORIDA,  
OPPOSING THE LOCAL BILL PROPOSING TO CREATE  
THE BROWARD INDEPENDENT FIRE DISTRICT

WHEREAS, First, on October 19, 2009, the Broward County Council of Professional Firefighters filed a Local Bill (the "Bill") with the Broward Legislative Delegation (the "Delegation"); proposing to create the Broward Independent Fire District (the "District"), a special taxing district that would have authority to tax for fire and emergency medical services to all lands within Broward County (the "County") where the governing body where the lands are situated approves of services by the District for such lands; and

WHEREAS, Second the Bill was crafted without affording the opportunity of input from or review of all of the cities in the County; and

WHEREAS, Third, on January 7, 2010, the Broward League of Cities (the "BLOC") at its Board of Directors meeting voted to oppose the creation of the District; and

WHEREAS, Fourth, on January 7, 2010, the Delegation held a public hearing to consider, among other things, the Bill; and

WHEREAS, Fifth, the BLOC, through its General Counsel, appeared at the Delegation's public hearing and voiced its opposition to the creation of the District; and

WHEREAS, Sixth, notwithstanding the opposition to the Bill expressed by the BLOC, as well as others in attendance at the Delegation public hearing on January 7, 2010, the Delegation voted to approve the Bill and transmit same to Tallahassee for further consideration by the Florida Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Seventh, the Town of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea has determined that the creation of the District would create an additional taxing authority, create more bureaucracy and increase costs and overall taxes; and

WHEREAS, Eighth, in light of the foregoing, the Town Commission finds that it is in the best interest of the residents of the Town to oppose the creation of the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF LAUDERDALE-BY-THE-SEA, FLORIDA:

Section 1: The foregoing recitals contained in the preamble to this Resolution are incorporated by reference herein.

Section 2: The Town Commission opposes the local bill proposing to create the Broward Independent Fire District.

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48 Section 3: The Town Commission requests the Broward Legislative Delegation, the Florida  
49 House of Representatives, the Florida Senate, and the Florida Governor to oppose the local bill  
50 creating the District.

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52 Section 4: The appropriate Town officials are authorized to execute all necessary documents to  
53 effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

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55 Section 5: The Town Clerk is directed to provide a copy of this Resolution to the Broward  
56 Legislative Delegation, President of the Florida Senate, the Speaker of the Florida House of  
57 Representatives, the Florida Governor, the Florida League of Cities, the Board of County  
58 Commissioners for Broward County, the Broward League of Cities, the Broward City/County  
59 Management Association, and all municipalities in Broward County.

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61 Section 6: This Resolution shall take effect upon its adoption.

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64 **PASSED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

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**MAYOR ROSEANN MINNET**

**ATTEST:**

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June White, Town Clerk

**Approved as to form:**

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Susan L. Trevarthen, Town Attorney

(CORPORATE SEAL)